## **EPA Brownfields Program**

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. In 2002, the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act was passed to help states and communities around the country cleanup and revitalize brownfields sites. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

## **Assessment Grant**

\$200,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected the Southwest Region Planning Commission for a brownfields assessment grant. Site-specific hazardous substances grant funds will be used to conduct Phase II environmental site assessments at the former Kingsbury Corporation site at 80 Laurel Street in Keene. The former industrial facility operated from the 1890s until bankruptcy was filed in 2011. The facility produced parts and high production automatic machine tools for automotive, business, appliance, hardware, plumbing, and sports equipment. Grant funds also will be used to develop cleanup plans, and conduct community outreach activities, including 15 monthly newsletter entries and up to 12 documented Brownfields Advisory Committee meetings.

## Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields Web site (http://www.epa.gov/brownfields).

EPA Region 1 Brownfields Team (617) 918-1627 EPA Region 1 Brownfields Web site (https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/brownfields-and-land-revitalization-connecticut-maine-massachusetts-new-hampshire-rhode)

Grant Recipient: Southwest Region Planning Commission, NH (603) 357-0557

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